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For: POLISHING PAD AND METHOD )  
OF MANUFACTURING )  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES )

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Applicants attach copies of the listed documents. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate their consideration by making appropriate notation on the attached form.

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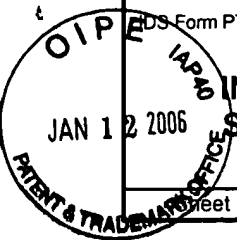
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